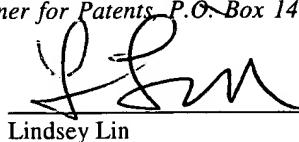




PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
FROM THE OFFICE ACTION

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Applicant : Nobuo Ogasawara Confirmation No. 8147
Application No. : 09/973,303
Filed : October 9, 2001
Title : SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MANAGING EXPIRATION-DATED
PRODUCTS UTILIZING AN ELECTRONIC RECEIPT

Grp./Div. : 3627
Examiner : Andrew J. Fischer

Docket No. : 47410/JEC/F179

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Commissioner:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner to extend the time for response to the Office action dated November 3, 2004 for 2 month(s) from February 3, 2005 to April 3, 2005.

The fee for extension of time required by 37 CFR § 1.17 is calculated below.

CALCULATION OF FEE			
LENGTH OF EXTENSION	SMALL ENTITY	LARGE ENTITY	FEES
WITHIN FIRST MONTH	\$ 60	\$ 120	\$
WITHIN SECOND MONTH	\$ 225	\$ 450	\$450
WITHIN THIRD MONTH	\$ 510	\$ 1020	\$
WITHIN FOURTH MONTH	\$ 795	\$1590	\$
WITHIN FIFTH MONTH	\$1080	\$2160	\$

Submitted herewith is a check for \$ 450 to cover the cost of the extension.

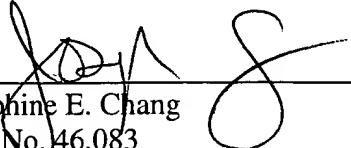
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. A copy of this letter is enclosed.

**Petition for Extension of Time
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Respectfully submitted,

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